

**PATENT APPLICATION**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the Application of

Francois MALLET et al.

Group Art Unit: 1637

Application No.: 09/680,946

Examiner: J. Fredman

Filed: October 6, 2000

Docket No.: 028662.96

For: RNA AMPLIFICATION METHOD REQUIRING  
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**LARGE ENTITY REQUEST FOR  
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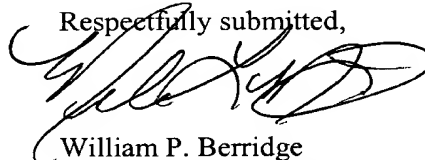
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The above-identified application was filed on or after June 8, 1995. Thus, entry is proper under 37 C.F.R. §1.114(d).

☒ Please suspend action on this application for three months under 37 C.F.R. §1.103(c).

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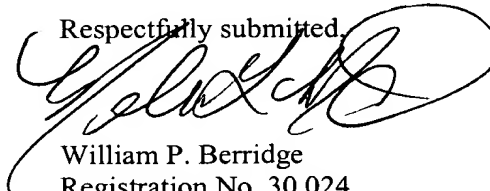
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